

claim the subject matter which applicants consider to constitute their inventive contribution. No new matter is included in these amendments. In addition, a revised Abstract and Specification are submitted in order to clarify and correct the Specification and to conform it to all of the requirements of U.S. practice. No new matter is included in these amendments, and a copy of the marked-up Specification is respectfully submitted herewith in order to confirm same.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that these amendments now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he may have.

~~There are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment. The Examiner is authorized to charge applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.~~

Respectfully submitted,

LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG,  
KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP



ARNOLD H. KRUMHOLZ  
Reg. No. 25,428

600 South Avenue West  
Westfield, NJ 07090-1497  
Telephone: (908) 654-5000  
Facsimile: (908) 654-7866

261165\_1.DOC